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## **B.A. TIM Program Featured in D.C.**

An innovative traffic management program developed by the Broken Arrow Traffic Specialist Unit will be a featured presentation at a national traffic conference in Washington, D.C. The U.S. Department of Transportation has invited Sergeant Ed Ferguson, supervisor of the Broken Arrow Traffic Specialist Unit, to provide details at a Traffic Incident Management workshop regarding the traffic incident management program the Broken Arrow Police Department has implemented. The workshop will be part of the annual Transportation Research Board meeting that will be attended by an estimated 9,500 transportation officials from around the country and abroad.

After learning of the innovative traffic incident management strategies implemented by Broken Arrow Police, the USDOT believed the details of the Broken Arrow program should be presented to other officials involved in transportation management. The presentation provided by Sergeant Ferguson will describe protocol the agency has established for planned and unplanned events. The presentation will detail the quick clearance policies established for officers to clear the roadway, as well as strategies for establishing traffic control and advanced warning to motorists when responding to Traffic Incidents. A Traffic Incident is any emergency road user occurrence, natural disaster or special event that affects or impedes the normal flow of traffic. The presentation will also detail the process the City of Broken Arrow has established for planned special events and how traffic management is integrated into the process.

The presentation provided by Sergeant Ferguson will be part of a day long workshop on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Funding to bring the Broken Arrow presentation to the Transportation Research Board meeting will be provided by the USDOT.

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